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Steade R. Craigo Named Cultural Resources Chief

SACRAMENTO -- State Parks Director Rusty Areias has announced the appointment of Steade R. Craigo as the Chief of the recently established Cultural Resources Division in the California Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Department's Agency historic Preservation Officer.

"Steade's reputation, experience, and credentials in the field of historic preservation, both within this Department, and within the State, national and international fields of historic preservation, make him an outstanding choice to lead the Department in its cultural resources mission," Areias said. "In his new position, he will be able to provide more emphasis on the preservation and availability to the public of our historic and cultural resources."

The new Cultural Resources Division oversees archeological sites on state park lands, the department's museum and archeological collections and services, and its historic structures.

Before his recent appointment, Craigo had served since 1994 as Senior Restoration Architect and supervisor of the Architectural Review Unit in the Department's Office of Historic Preservation. From 1988-91, Craigo was also the Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for the Department of Parks and Recreation, and from 1992 -1994 he served as Acting State Historic Preservation Officer.

Craigo, FAIA (member of the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects), who currently holds architectural licenses in California and South Carolina, earned a Diploma in Conservation Studies, the equivalent of a master's degree, from the Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies at the University of York in England, and a Bachelor of Architecture degree from Clemson University in South Carolina. He is a member of the Board of Trustees for the United States Committee of the International Council of Monuments and Sites. He also served as a member of the board for the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers.

He currently serves on the City of Sacramento's Design Review and Preservation Board.

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